



# TOWN OF NEWINGTON

1485 Main Street Newington, Connecticut 06111

## Newington Volunteer Fire Department

### MINUTES

#### Board of Fire Commissioners

#### Special Meeting

August 12, 2010

Fire Company #3

West Hill Road

Newington, CT 06111

7:30pm

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance.

#### II. ATTENDANCE

Commissioner's Seiler, Stoddard & Bogacz

Chief Chris Schroeder-Excused  
Deputy Chief Tom Gill-Excused  
Deputy Chief Frank Papa  
Deputy Chief Vic Depamphilis-Excused  
Dick Brown  
Bill Pollock  
Fmr. Comm. Kevin Ziegler  
Tony Palazhi  
Brian Carpenter

Asst. Chief Tom Lapierre-Excused  
Captain Craig Stegmaier  
Captain Ron Felton  
Lt. Paul Tesz  
Frank Skibo  
Capt Joe Valvo  
Steve Pulcher  
Austin Muir

Town Councilor David Nagel

Diane Papa

#### III. Public Participation

None

#### IV. Communications

Communications were accepted as read.

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**V. Ledger Status**

The Commissioner's reviewed the Ledger Status Report(s) and reported them on track for the year to date.

**VI. OLD BUSINESS**

**Massapequa Weekend:** Bus will leave Friday noon on the 24<sup>th</sup> of September and return on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup>. A smaller bus will be used for transportation. Many attending will be driving their own vehicles.

**The Captain's Project:** Capitol Region has hired Consultant Peter Sullivan from the Advantac Group. The modems will be activated soon.

Commissioner Stoddard has started organizing his committee to begin reviewing the Rules & Reg's. He is hoping to schedule a meeting in late August to begin the review.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Bogacz announced that plans for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual " Blessing of the Badges" are underway and Father Dennis is checking the church calendar to determine the date. This year strong emphasis is being placed on both the EMS and Police Department to actively participate, along with the general public, in this special event.

Captain Ron Felton reminded the group that Lt. Jeremy Almarode, also a Chaplin in the Department, will be participating in the days events.

**VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Fmr. Commission Chairman Kevin Ziegler asked the reason for a review of the Rules and Regulations document considering that it was approved a year ago in its present form. He wanted to know what changes needed to be made and was this going to be an ongoing issue.

Commissioner Seiler stated that basically the Rules and Regulations needed to be reviewed/corrected for typing errors, and items that were completely left out of the document concerning promotional appointments.

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**IX. COMMISSIONER'S REMARKS**

Commissioner Stoddard explained to Fmr. Commissioner Ziegler that the Rules and Regulations review was intended to correct typographical errors, Including portions concerning promotional procedures that were absent in the current document.

Commissioner Bogacz announced the Company#3 picnic will be held on September18th at Company #3.

The Department Picnic will be held on October9th at Churchill Park.

**X. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sue Reniewicz – Board Secretary

